

**TOWN OF UNDERHILL
SELECTBOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 10, 2015**

Selectboard: Clifford Peterson and David Rogers

Town Staff: Brian Bigelow

Public: Lea Van Winkle, Marc Maheux, Craig Lassiter, Gael Boardman, Gerry Adams, Seth Friedman, Peter Bennett, Peter Duval, Rick Heh, Jeff Moulton, Pete Czaja, Carolyn Gregson, Charlie Van Winkle, Ted Tedford, Nancy Davis, Jen Bowker and Dan Steinbauer

6:00 p.m. Meeting called to order. Agenda adjusted to consider adding an Executive Session to discuss advice of counsel received in addition to the scheduled Executive Session related to appointment of a public official.

6:01 p.m. Public Comment – In response to a question from Lea Van Winkle the Chair spoke to the appointment process and explained the statutory necessity to appoint by Friday March 13, 2015. Petitions and elections are uncertainties that may happen after that date.

6:05 p.m. Discussion re: Selectboard Vacancy

The Chair reviewed the process and the law on an appointment to a vacancy.

Consensus of Board to invite persons interested in appointment in alphabetical order to introduce themselves, answer questions of the Board and to ask questions of the Board.

Gerry Adams, Peter Duval, Carolyn Gregson, Rick Heh, Craig Lassiter and Marc Maheux presented brief biographies, commented on their interest, responded to questions from the Board, and asked questions of the Board.

Dan Steinbauer had expressed interest but was unavailable until 7:30 p.m.

Additional conversation from the floor regarding sequence of events, length of term if a special election is held, inclination of Selectboard to hold an election without a petition, potential costs of election and anticipated level of turnout.

6:30 p.m. Executive Session

Clifford Peterson moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to 1 VSA 313(a)(1)(F) on a specific finding that premature general public knowledge would clearly place the Selectboard at a substantial disadvantage.

David Rogers seconded and the finding and motion passed 2-0.

On a motion by David Rogers, seconded by Clifford Peterson the Board came out of Executive Session on a 2-0 vote at 6:45 p.m. No action taken as a result of Executive Session.

6:47 p.m. Recess Meeting

Clifford Peterson moved to recess meeting until 7:30 p.m. to allow for attendance by Dan Steinbauer. David Rogers seconded and the motion passed 2-0.

7:30 p.m. Reconvene Meeting

Selectboard reconvened meeting. The Chair asked if there were any other person interested in being appointed to the Selectboard vacancy.

Jeff Moulton introduced himself, responded to questions by the board and asked questions of the Board.

Staff attempted to contact last applicant. Discussion about adjourning and discussing at the March 12 Selectboard Special Meeting ensued.

Dan Steinbauer arrived at 7:45 p.m. and introduced himself, responded to questions by the Board and asked questions of the Board.

8:00 p.m. Executive Session

Clifford Peterson moved to enter Executive Session under 1 VSA §313(a)(3) to discuss the appointment of a public official. David Rogers seconded and the motion passed 2-0.

8:19 p.m. on a motion by David Rogers, seconded by Clifford Peterson the Board came out of Executive Session on a 2-0 vote. No action taken in Executive Session.

8:20 p.m. Selectboard Vacancy

David Rogers moved to appoint Rick Heh to fill the vacancy on the Selectboard until an election is had. Clifford Peterson seconded and the motion passed 2-0.

The Chair noted that statute calls for the Board to explain the reasons for its final decision during the open meeting. The Chair then did so.

The Board took notice of the petition for a special election being circulated and in light of that found no reason to address at this time whether the Board should call a special election.

Consensus of Board to cancel the Special Meeting scheduled for March 12, 2015. The next regularly scheduled meeting is March 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

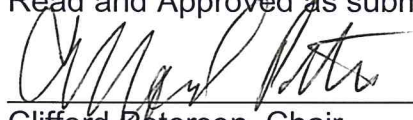
Per statue the appointment needs to be in writing and the appointment of Richard J. Heh to fill the vacancy on the Selectboard was signed by the members of the Board.

The Board members thanked all who expressed their willingness to contribute their time and efforts to the Town of Underhill along with the many other dedicated volunteers who fill positions on municipal bodies.

8:30 p.m. David Rogers moved to adjourn. Clifford Peterson seconded and the motion passed 2-0.

Submitted by Brian Bigelow, Town Administrator

Read and Approved as submitted/amended.



Clifford Peterson, Chair

3/17/15

Date

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	Name	Address
1	Marc Maheux	38 Pokes Hill
2	PAUL TORREMAN	252 U.S. ROUTE
3	Jeff Moulton	49 Highland Road
4	Seth Friedman	144 PV Rd
5	Jenny Adams	47 Blakey
6	BUCK HEIL	52 Kelly Rd
7	PAUL CZAJA	86 DANE RD
8	Peter Duval	25 Pine Ridge Rd
9	Loe Van Winkle	38 Corbett Rd
10	Carolyn Gregson	99 Pleasant Valley Rd
11	Craig Lassiter	5 High Meadows Rd.
12	Peter Bennett	20 Edgmont Rd
13	Charles Van Winkle	88 CORBETT ROAD
14	Jon Brooks	11 High Meadows Rd.
15	Freel Teelford	20 Bear town Rd.
16	Dan Steinbau	52 Range Rd
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